A.—(*a*) Subsidiary rules to the Fundamental Rules were issued by the Local Government on the 6th November 1922. The Fundamental Rules came into force with effect from 1st January 1922.

(*b*) There have been some changes. They were made by the Secretary of State in Council under the powers conferred by section 96-B of the Government of India Act.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) When Rule 81 was amended, Government servants who had elected to come under the Fundamental Rules were again allowed the option of reverting to the leave rules by which they were previously governed.

(*f*) The amendment of Fundamental Rule 81 was introduced to correct a mistake that had been overlooked when the rules were originally issued. The Government are unaware of the reasons for the recent amendment of Fundamental Rule 87.

Village Establishments.

Duties of village servants, talaiyaris, etc.

* 207 *Q.*—Mr. A. CHIDAMBARA NADAR: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the village servants, talaiyaris and vettians are bound to serve both the village munsif and the karnam;

(*b*) whether they are under the control of both of them; and

(*c*) if so, how their services are divided between the two officers?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The vetti and talaiyari are under the control of the head of the village. They must obey the karnam if deputed for work under him.

(*c*) Subject to any orders of competent superior authority, this is a matter for the headman to arrange with due regard to the needs of the village.

Mr. R. SRINIVASAN:—" Referring to answer (*c*) where it is stated ' to arrange with due regard to the needs of the village, ' may I know whether it includes sanitary arrangements also ? "

The hon. Mr. N. E. MARJORIBANKS:—" I want notice of that question."

Village munsifs in the Tinnevelly district.

* 208 *Q.*—Mr. A. CHIDAMBARA NADAR: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that all the Nadar village munsifs have lost their seats during the revision of villages in the Tinnevelly district;

(*b*) whether any petition concerning the matter has been submitted to the Government; and

(*c*) if so, whether the Government have taken any action on the petition?

A.—(*a*) The Government have no reason to think so.

(*b*) & (*c*) No such petition has been received.